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The Readers Always Write

THE BUNKS

Dear Editors:

Here is a picture of Tinker, my Siamese, and Dusty, my ten year old Tom, in their specially-made bunk bed. I got up at 4:30 the other morning to get a flash picture of them asleep as this is the only time I can catch them in the bunk bed together. Of course, both cats woke up when the flash went off, so I was foiled. But I think you'll enjoy seeing them, and that other cat owners may find the bunk beds a good idea for their pets.

Illy McFall
112 So. Ervin St.
Darlington, S. C.

CONS, CATS, AND CARTER'S

Dear Editors:

Here are some of the "cons" I have heard about having Toms neutered and females spayed:

1. "Oh, no, and take the very zip and fun out of life for him!"
2. "Oh no, poor Suzy is too old." (Six years of age.)
3. "Oh, kittens are so much fun and adorable, and we always manage to find homes for them."
4. "Oh, (they always start with oh) we drown Calico's kittens."
5. "She won't catch mice and will get lazy."

I moved here from Chicago and believe me, there are more cats than Carter has liver pills, and so far I haven't come across a stray one. On my side of the street every family has one or more cats with the exception of one family. The cat population is far higher than the dog population.

The reason is that most of us have room for some chickens and a vegetable garden. Therefore, I suppose to keep the mice away, cats are kept, most of the cats average three to nine years of age. I've come to the conclusion that cats are better suited to the country and far happier. The people out here are very good to their cats, for that matter, to all animals.

(Mrs. Leon) Vera Gadomski
2121 Second St.
Northbrook, Ill.

FROM COVER TO COVER

Dear Editors:

I would like to tell you how very much I have enjoyed your magazine. I had never heard of "Cats" until this past Christmas when I received a gift subscription for one year to it from my son in New York City. Since I started receiving it monthly, it is the only magazine we receive that is read from "cover to cover". My daughter and I take several of the leading magazines, but our favorite is "Cats." It makes us both feel very good to know there are lots of other people who are as fond of cats and other pets as we have always been.

Mrs. Will Brumbach
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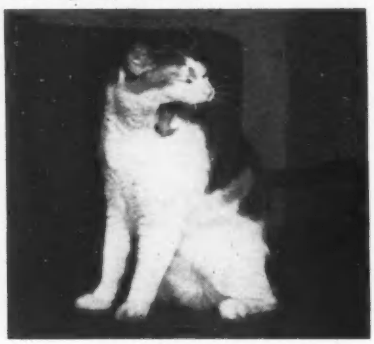

NO MAGAZINE AGAIN!

Dear Editors:

Locked out by mistake?? No indeed! But now that it has been brought to our attention it *is* a long time since you sent us a copy of CATS . . . The last copy received was the February issue, and we finished reading that long *long* ago. HO! HUM! . . . No wonder life has seemed a little dull.

Looking thru our records we find that we did send you three dollars for a renewal, but no magazines have appeared at our door since the February issue. How come? Could be you accidentally took us off the mailing list? We don't like it—much. And to show you how we feel about it Mimi sends you her picture. (That is her frank opinion of the situation.)

We hope you will do something — quickly!

Sincerely,
Ruth I. Morterud and Mimi
215 East 31 St.
New York 16, N. Y.

CAT LOVERS ARE TOPS

Dear Editors:

My check enclosed for $12.50 five year extension. Please use more and more material relative to consideration and assistance for the most abused, mistreated and misunderstood of all living creatures, the cat.

Every human who is sincerely interested in cats is a kind and good person. Surely all schools could teach kindness to God's dumb animals.

Sincerely,
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COVER

Our Through the Looking Glass Cover this month is by G. Evelyn Metcalfe, 5401 Twenty-fourth St., Sacramento 17, California. The handsome subject is her Shaded Silver "Cheepie", taken at seven months.

HELP NEEDED

Dear Editors:

We are Army—continually travelling—and are the owners of two cats, both male, both altered. Pancho, a tabby, is 5 years old, Negrito, a shorthaired Black (we think) Siamese. He could be the one pictured in the May Magazine, page four. He is 4½ years old.

Both cats were brought back from Venezuela, and we had a terrific time with them. We have been here one and a half years and have allowed the cats out only on a leash. Have just heard our next assignment may be Brazil.

If there are any readers who have travelled abroad with their cats I would appreciate any advice—inoculations are the first difficulty. Can we give them a narcotic before taking them to the veterinarian? I bear a horrible scar from the last bout we had in Venezuela in order to be allowed to bring them to the United States.

We have their carriers and cages (one each), and will make the trip by car to the Port of Embarcation, thence by ship to Brazil, some 15 days aboard. I managed by devious ways to keep the cats in my cabin when we returned from Venezuela, but I hesitate to try this method again for such a long trip. Is there any way to cover the cages, to protect them at night should they be up near the kennels on the ship? Both cats are very timid and really afraid of dogs.

If it is possible to publish this letter, and if some kind cat lovers care to write me direct, I would so appreciate it.

A real cat lover,
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A True Story of a Cat in the Frozen North

by

LeNora Conkle

ALONE IN ALASKA

It was early fall in Fairbanks when I came home one day with a homeless black kitten. Bud, my husband, was dubious about adding a cat to the sled dogs and the incredibly long list of necessary supplies and gear already packed and waiting to be hauled on our jeep and trailer. Early in the summer we had purchased the five malemutes and had eagerly been anticipating the coming winter when we would occupy a remote wilderness cabin, rented for the trapping season, and begin a way of living we had left the crowded cities of Southern California purposely to try.

The awaited day at last arrived and all the bustle of last minute packing and loading the jeep and trailer. The dogs were led up one at a time and put in behind the two front seats on boxes and gear where four of them could just manage to lay side by side and we put the smallest, the gentle female between us on the front seat. Last came the well reinforced wooden cat box to be placed on my lap. Charm's loud protests at being so confined lasted all of that day's traveling and kept all dogs' ears inquisitively pointed towards the box, the unfamiliar noises drawing their attention from their own crowded discomfort. Occasionally a dog emitted low threatening growls aimed at another who was crowding him but a terse command settled the situation without a wild and furious dog fight in crowded confinement.

All went well until late evening when we camped in an old shelter cabin along the highway. The dogs were tied to nearby trees but I was worried lest the cat wander away in these strange surroundings, so I lifted a loose floor board of the cabin and set her on dry ground underneath, trusting she would come back into the room when she finished her chore. Instead she found a small hole and squeezed herself through to investigate what lay beyond the protecting walls of the cabin. Jim, the lead dog, had slipped his collar and Bud had left Keno, the pet, untied as he never ventured far from where Bud slept or worked. The two dogs seeing the cat emerge from under the cabin, lay in wait until she was far enough beyond her means of retreat, then they pounced. That moment was very nearly her exit from this life but according to doctrine she still had eight more lives allowed her. At that opportune moment I opened the door to toss out the dish water and a furry black object hurtled past me as thought it had been catapulted through space with great force, tail twice normal size and eyes blazing defiance she turned in midair and with a vengeance and scratching claws, raked both dogs tender noses as they rushed headlong in the door behind her. With drooping tails and deflated ego, two dogs effaced themselves for the balance of the evening and showed a marked respect for the cat from then on.

My husband had previously cared little about cats nor trusted them in the house at any time but this glossy black Persian kitten had captivated him also and won the respect of us both by the high regard she displayed for the dogs on their chains as well as her fastidious manners in the house. The name Charm fit her well from the very day I carried her home and it seemed to us she lived a charmed life after some of the cruel experiences she weathered by being a faithful companion to a couple of *cheechakos* who were to spend their winters and short summers in Alaska's great wilderness.

It was late evening the following day when we reached our destination and while we busied ourselves building a fire, preparing supper and unpacking the essential items needed for the meal and bed, Charm covered every inch of that three room cabin, thoroughly sniffing and inspecting all articles and corners. Finding everything quite satisfactory to her feline taste, she made herself at home on a high dark shelf in a corner where, with watchful eyes, she could survey at will the general activities of her human companions. Only her big yellow eyes lent a clue to her whereabouts, and there she passed many contented hours that winter. We soon discovered however, the kitchen table was beyond her range of vision and any rattling of dishes from that sector was sure to bring a heavy sounding thud as she jumped to the floor and came bounding out with a hopeful "meooow" expecting a handout. She didn't seem to realize how many times in succession we waited until she was again comfortably settled on her lofty perch and then deliberately rattled a dish on the table to make her come running. She never failed us a laugh at her expence and maybe she enjoyed the game also.

Two of the dogs were now well behaved pets and completely ignored the cat as she went about her business outdoors or when they were allowed in the cabin to lay for a few minutes on the rug by the fire. But Charm was mistress in the house and watchful and arrogantly eyed them from an advantageous position on the back of the high leather chair.

There was no lack of tall trees close at hand if necessary for a safe retreat so the days the dog team was at leisure and she wanted outdoors, I let her go feeling confident by now she was capable of any emergency. One such day I glanced out the window in time to see the cat furiously dash past heading in the direction of the front porch with three bounding dogs, of a same mind and purpose, uncomfortably close to the tip of her prodigious tail. I ran out in time to see Charm leap to the window sill. Our smart little female dog caught Charm's tail at the same time her feet struck the ledge, and the cat was pulled back into the midst of the snapping snarling dogs and I simultaneously landed atop the whole mess cursing and threatening the dogs. Somehow Charm maneuvered herself free of the melee and when I had extricated myself and gained my feet, she was meowing forelornly from the thick branches of a tall tree while three chagrined sled dogs, looking sheepishly at my disheaveled appearance and questionably towards the tree, made a fast retreat into the woods beyond the reach of an irate mistress. The female sled dog had somehow managed to free herself from her tie chain and had excited the other two to the chase but Charm was now wise to another method employed to outsmart her by the teamwork applied in cutting off her avenue of escape to the trees. I later watched unnoticed, an abortive effort to entice her beyond her range of safety, and it is amazing the understanding animals have of cooperating towards a mutual goal.

Charm knows the excited barking of the dogs when they are being harnessed for a trip and is an intensely interested spectator for the entire proceeding, watching from the large front window until team and driver are out of sight around a bend, then with an obviously satisfied "Purrrrrrt" she jumps to the floor and comes running to curl in my lap or sit close by where I am working and tell me how nice it is they are gone and she hopes they will stay a few days so she can sleep with me rather than alone in her box in the shed. Long before I can hear a sound, without fail she runs to her window lookout and watches the team come home and leaves there only when the last dog is unharnessed and led away.

Charm soon learned to bum a ride on my husband's shoulders when we took trips on our snowshoes and there she draped herself full length across his shoulders with the top framework of his packboard as a balance and leisurely enjoyed the hike with us. Not a trip into the woods did she miss when we went for wood, audaciously spitting and showing her right to be there with us if a dog ventured near her margin for comfort.

Twice on a forty mile trip for our mail and fresh supplies, via dog team, we had to leave her at home and were

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FEWLINES 'BOUT FELINES

Collected by ANNE METCALF

In no other animal do we find a wider range of virtues—cleanliness, grace of manner, independence, courage and the warm sympathy and eloquence of her mind when she is understood by those she loves. The cat, however, like all gifted people with strongly intuitive natures, has come in for her share of disparagement, having been accused of dealing in witchcraft and black art, and outraged by countless unpleasant epithets and scandals that she neither merited nor deserved. In forebearing silence she has had to outlive these accusations and superstitions of the past, and by her persistent beauty, appeal and intelligence, finally proved her faithfulness as a household pet. Only recently has she at long last begun to take her right place in the average mind.

—"Know Your Cat", by John Hosford Hickey & Priscilla Beach, Harper & Bros., N. Y.

CAT WALKS BY DAY

You used to see square little Scotties galore;
But Fashion has finally opened the door
To let the aloof and illustrious cat in,
As quiet as feathers and sleeker than satin.
Now fancier bows to the fancier Manx
And the commoner's purring a paean of thanks
For the tabby, dissected by writer and critic
From catnip to cat-nap to pains entiritic.

So doff the fedora and up with the mitten
To flossy Angora, to calico kitten!
Pampered or paupered or skinny or fat,
Up with a toast, I say, to Cat . . .
That curious, casual citizen who
Doesn't much care if you don't or you do.

—Peg Bracken

While the dog has found his place in the hearts of many people and in the child life of communities, the cat's kingdom is just on the horizon of its development.

—Ibid.

DROUTH KITTEN IN PANTOMIME

Come, Meemie, quick!
There's something amiss;
I never saw weather behave like this.
There's a flash and a tumble
A roar and a potter
Then somebody pouring
Out pails full of water.
It runs down the hill
And takes off our rocks
That the big gulley swallows
With gulping and knocks.
Come, Meemie, quick
And talk to the sky;
There's too much to lick,
I won't even try.

—Frances Alexander

TO MY CATS

"I have no use for cats," she said.
"Faugh! Such a pet!"
"And anyone who wastes their time on one is—
Well——All wet!"

And yet the Lord had time to waste
On creatures, plants and men;
I'm glad my pillow is all wet,
For cats, I'll cry again!!

—Brush Haertel

A SUMMER KITTEN'S PLEA

Don't pet me in the summertime
And let me stay so near,
Unless throughout the wintertime
You're sure you will be here.

If you seek my devotion
When days are fair and warm,
You'll owe me your protection
From every winter's storm.

Before you win my loving heart
Think—can you care for me?
And if you can't, well, travel on
And let this kitten be!

—Elsie Simon

CAT AT THE BEACH

The timid stray house cat
Comes creeping unseen;
But her prints in the sand
Show she's little and lean.

We can tell she's been here
When we look out at dawn,
For the milk and the meat
And the mackerel are gone.

She sees flaming sunsets
From crests of tall dunes,
And arrows of wild geese,
Across great white moons;

She knows snowstorms and lightning,
But nothing cares she;
And she sleeps on the bough
Of a crooked pine tree.

—Mercy E. Baker

WHERE?

Where have you gone, little cat, from the happy places
Where you frolicked and slept?
You have slipped through that door, inexorably shut in our faces,
Where the millions have wept.
Hunger you never know, terror nor pain, little cat,
You were happy and gay—
Our gifts you accepted, careless, insouciant, bland,
And repaid - in your way.
We were your all, your gods, your protectors and friends,
Your circumscribed world wherein you were wholly content.
When your wise eyes closed and your soft paws folded under,
Shall we not, missing you, wonder where you went?

—Lillian R. Morris

HOMELESS TABBY

He cannot understand just why
His well filled plate is not in sight,
It seems so strange, yet he must try
To still believe things will be right.
Some years ago, a stranger, he
Had stopped awhile to rest and eat,
And then it happened,somehow, he
Lost all desire for roaming feet.

But now it seems he has to go
And see what life might hold,
And though he moves a little slow
He must take heart and act quite bold.
He does not know his Lady Kind
Has left this world for realms above,
And leaving, prayed that he might find
A home with kindness, food and Love.

—Ada Mae Hoffrek

SO BLACK MY LOVE

Love lives with me in a black fur coat
With jewels of topaz for eyes;
Or gooseberries round and yellow and ripe;
Or moons . . . except for the size.

A purr is wrapped up in the black fur coat,
But needles there are in a velvet glove,
And a siren that slices through dreams in the night . . .
How strange are the ways of my Love!

—Anne Pinkerton

TIPS TO THE NOVICE FROM A NOVICE

by Blanche Wolfram

Perhaps the most enjoyable moment of Cat Breeding comes when after the kittens are born, the new mother looks up at you with love in her eyes, as if she were thanking you for the help given in her time of need. Yes, this may sound just a bit strange. While there are many schools of thought on the matter, this writer feels that the breeder should do all she can to assist in the delivery of her cats' babies. Some may say that it is too much trouble to sit around waiting for the "great event"; but to those who have done so, the pleasure received in doing is far greater than ever anticipated, even though, occasionally, the going gets rough. For, truly, the coming of kittens is second only to the attending of various shows to the breeder whose main interests lie in her cats.

If you've never been a midwife to your cats, then you certainly must try! Only, before that time comes there is much to be considered concerning the little girl you just have mated.

After your queen has been mated, make sure that she receives an ample amount of exercise, being careful not to let her overdo herself. Do not allow her to do any jumping or get into a tussle with one of her playmates, for cats will be cats, and they often like to play with each other in a rough manner. Feed her normally, at first, for the early stages of growth following conception do not require too much added nutrition. As time moves on, however, you will notice a slight physical change on the cat's breasts. By the twenty-first day following her mating, the nipples will have enlarged and will have changed from the normal skin color to a deep pink. Now is the time to increase the diet but extreme caution must be used to make sure that she is not overfed. Overfeeding causes the kittens to grow quite large and the result might be the prevention of a normal birth. Besides, we're only after kittens and not fully grown cats.

Considerable trouble can be avoided in the breeding process if, on the day the little girl is mated, a calendar is marked as to the day the kits will arrive. Along about the 63rd or 65th day the births will take place. Your female will also give a few signs. As the time nears, she will begin to hunt for a place in which she wants to have her kittens. A "maternity cage" will be of considerable help here for it will confine the cat and also provide an easy place for assistance to be given. A proven maternity cage is a wire enclosure about twenty-four inches wide, thirty-six inches long, and eighteen inches high. A hinged top gives an easy access to the interior and a 1" x 2" wire mesh provides a very adequate covering. In the maternity cage a cardboard box can be placed, one just big enough for the future mother to lie down. Newspaper can be used in the box, and, after each kitten is born, more paper inserted—this keeps the mother from worrying about cleaning up.

As the time for the kits to arrive comes near at hand, the cat will refuse her regular food and her eyes will give the appearance of having become dilated. A look at the vulva will show signs of dilatation. And as zero hour approaches panting will begin as if the animal were very warm. In a short time labor pains will begin and now it is time to watch for the water to break for the kits are on their way. The water breaking marks their progress and they will follow a short while later.

When the long awaited moment comes the mother will begin to bear down in earnest and out will come the first kitten. Look to see if the mother immediately clears away the sack over the kitten's head. If not, take a piece of cloth or tissue paper and wipe it away. Also, should the mother not cut the naval cord, do so with a pair of sterilized scissors about three-fourths of an inch from the kitten. Take the newly born kitten from the mother and dry it quickly, rubbing it a little to make sure it breathes and comes to life in good order. Another small cardboard box partially covered and containing a heating pad or a hot water bottle can be used to dry the kittens and keep them warm.

While you are caring for the new kitten, the afterbirth will come and the mother will eat it. Keep track of the number she eats, allowing her to at least eat two or three, for this will help her milk to flow. If all goes well it is about twenty to thirty minutes between each birth, but, of course, this will vary quite often.

After all of the kittens are born, give them back to the mother, and also give her fresh water and plenty to eat for by now she is mighty hungry. If during the time of the births she would want her charges let her have them and take them away when another begins to arrive.

Thus far we have been concerned with normal births. However, a number of births will often occur and cause some unwarranted trouble. For this one must be prepared.

A normal birth is head first. If the mother has a breech birth, that is to say hind quarters first, it becomes much harder to deliver. The cat will cry loudly in pain and want to run about in a circle. Keep her as quiet as possible by caressing her and talking to her, all the while holding the half emerged kitten. Watch when she bears down and then gently remove the kitten. While this sounds very complicated it happens in about twenty seconds time.

Once in a while a cat is so strong that when she bears down the kitten pops out causing the navel to rupture because the afterbirth is not able to escape. If this happens the internal organs of the kitten will come through the rupture. It is next to impossible to save a kitten in such a condition and it is best to put it out of its misery by putting it asleep with chloroform.

If one of the kittens does not respond to life in the proper amount of time, take it and rough it up a bit. Blow into its little mouth, using artifiical respiration by gently squeezing and relaxing its chest. Sometimes that certain something that starts life is delayed and it is up to you to help it to get going. The birth of kittens closely follows that of humans, and many of the troubles found in the birth of a human are also found in the birth of kittens.

Perhaps due to an injury or for another reason a kitten may be dead in the tract. This causes much trouble for the mother as it is hard for her to expel such a kitten and much more time and effort will be involved on her part.

Keep in touch with your local Veterinarian and let him know when you are expecting the arrivals. If you notice that all is not well take the expectant mother to him and he will advise you what must be done. Perhaps the kittens are too large for the pelvis of the mother. It may be that two are caught or some other reason prevents a normal delivery. Then he will advise a Caesarian section. Arrange to be there during this operation for it is quite a job and you can take care of the kits while he continues with his task. When the operation is finished, take the mother and the kittens home for you will have more time than he to take care of them.

Invariably a cat that has had a Caesarian will not have milk for the kittens, so it is good to keep a check with your friends as to the one that has a nursing cat. A cat that already has kittens will probably take yours without any difficulty at all. Just rub the new kittens against her and place some of her milk over them so that she will think that they are just some of hers that were misplaced and begin to wash them. In the event that a nursing cat is not available, the job of nursing becomes yours. A good formula for feeding them is one tablespoon of Olac to one and one half ounces of water. Feed this in a warmed condition every two hours. It is also necessary to take a piece of cotton and gently rub the waste organs of each kitten to make them function, doing this after each feeding.

At four weeks kittens can be weaned. A good starting diet can consist of Pablum with canned milk, canned strained baby meats, and fresh horse meat. Use some of the mixture of vitamins and minerals that are on the market with the horse meat. If loose bowels develop, stop giving the milk but be sure to give fresh water.

Well, now you're an official midwife and you'll have to agree that it was a wonderful experience. Just be careful not to be afraid or to get too excited for your mother-to-be will sense this

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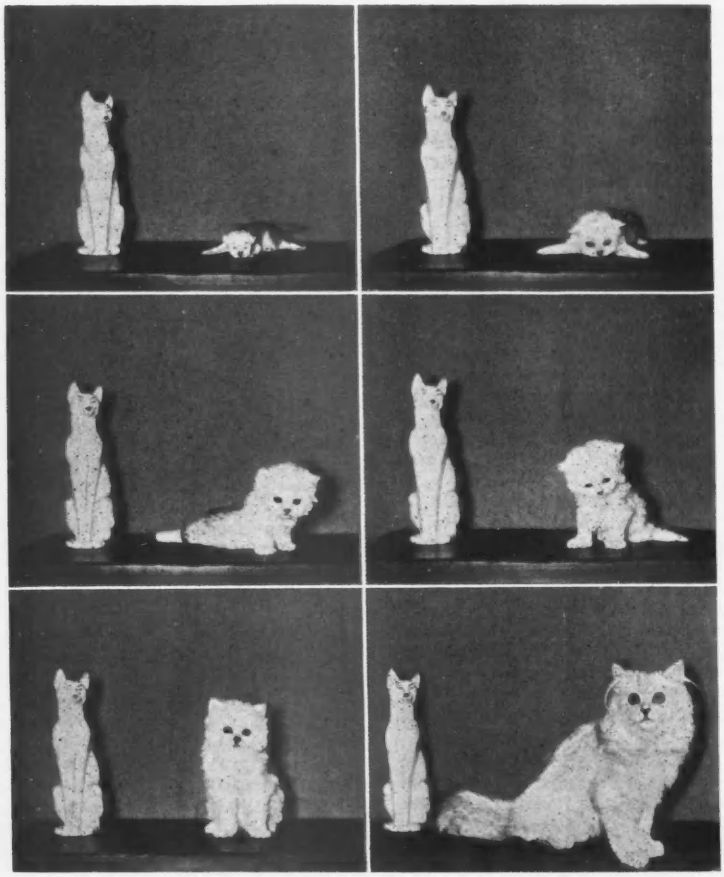
PICTURES TO THE EDITOR

This photo of two kinds of fancy felines was taken by Mr. R. A. Cable and shows his own Blue Cream, Pixie, with an aloof, unnamed interloper.

Su-Ryan's Shah of Burma and his sister Su-Ryan Demi-Tasse were proud prize-winners at the Garden City Show for their owner, Maxine B. Ryan.

Eva Volkert's Cream kit has fun in the front yard with her unseen owner.

With true feline disdain Ch. Holmesdale Bambina, Imp., turns her back on her rosette display. The M. Porter Walley's, her owners, write that she's just had five charming kits.



"One Little Kitten and How She Grew"—A unique series of time-lapse photographs by Dr. V. Van Zele.

A tasty trayful is John and Helen Drost's Old Black Joe of San Mateo in this picture taken at 18 months.

This G. W. Whitney oil portrait is of Dr. Guy Bogart's famous Hildabruen.

IN PRAISE OF THE TOM CAT

by Melvin S. Gilmore

A few nights ago I was awakened from fairly sound slumber by the mellow yodel of a romantic tomcat. Being a reasonable person I will readily admit that the song of the tomcat has not been generally held in any very high esteem. Nevertheless, it is impossible to be clever in everything and so I suppose we may concede him to be a failure in this field. However, his song is at least as good as that of the gander though I doubt this comparison does him very great honor.

That the tomcat is a most lordly creature admits of no doubt and I rise at this point to state a few things in his favor which may have been overlooked by those of my brethren having somewhat less astuteness. To begin with, the tomcat is a lord of derring-do; a creature of chivalry withal, and I further maintain that he is exactly what every man would like to be, but cannot, for reasons which I shall presently state, ever be at all. To hedge or equivocate in this matter is only to be silly and this is a thing which I must refuse to do.

From time immemorial, yes, through many centuries, the tomcat has been a profound student in three noble arts which have always commanded the esteem of men. When I state the nature of these arts you will marvel that you did not think of them yourself.

We can do no better than to begin with the art of war. Unlike mankind, however, the tomcat wages civilized war and I mean by this that he does not slaughter his opponent. It thus arises that he learns continually and emerges a bit wiser from every conflict. Further, and this is another point of admiration, he does not need the benefit of alcohol to urge him into the field of gory combat. Beaten he may be, and frequently is, but he takes his beatings like a gentleman and does not weep for victories that he might have won or offer excuses for fights which went against him. No, the tomcat does none of these things but is in battle a warrior without reproach.

The second great art which he studies is the art of making love. It may as well be noted here that he is not tied down to one miserable female as generally transpires in the world of men. The idea that a male should be limited to a single one of his species would probably strike him as being so ludicrous as to make him curl his whiskers in fine scorn. And he does not have love given him, so to speak, on a silver platter. No, he must go forth and do knightly battle to obtain the favor of his lady love. It needs no argument to show that this is a way of life which should be most highly commended.

The third great art which he studies is that of hunting. The first lessons given in this field are taught to him by his mother but all rats and mice could probably testify that he continues to acquire wisdom in this field to the very end of his life. His hunting ability not only keeps him in very fine fettle but also provides him with provender which he is not obliged to share with any of his species.

I may here observe that the tomcat is a true philosopher. The fact that other tomcats get more and better females; that some are better at hunting and get more rats and mice; that some can outdo him in a fight, will not cause him to lose as much as one moment of sleep. No, the tomcat spends no time in foolish envy of his brothers but is well enough satisfied to live and let live. You hear men talk a great deal about these things but you will also notice that they are very careful not to put such pursuits into actual practice.

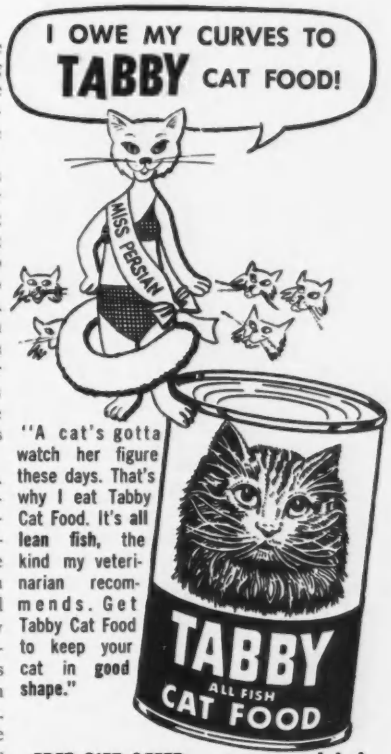
Thus far I have spoken of the male. Let me here say that his feminine consort sets an example which is so laudable as to arouse the utmost in admiration. I refer to the fact that the female scorns to burden the lordly male with the care of her numerous progeny and thus leaves him entirely free for study and contemplation. And this, I maintain, is exactly as it should be, but is not, in human affairs. The female is an absolute model of domestic propriety. She generally treats her male and female kittens exactly alike;; rarely shows favoritism of any kind; teaches them whatever kittens should be taught, and even sings them to sleep. Can as much always be said for the human female?

She is also fortunate in the matter of love. Do you suppose that she has to put up with the same old tomcat year in and year out? Nothing of the kind! She does indeed have plenty of variety in her moments of amorous delight. She may not be exactly prepossessing in her personal appearance; her fur may not be of the best; she may have two eyes unlike in color; she may have a breath too strong from eating overmuch of fish, but this means nothing to the tomcat. When she is entitled to love, she is entitled to love and the fact that she is less than beautiful will not make a particle of difference. It stems from this that the tomcat is a creature of most benevolent sort since he scorns no female of any kind, either of high or lowly station.

Oh, ye human females! Does this not cause you to be stricken with an absolute greenness of envy? Would you not love to have the whole of the masculine world at your feet with men doing valiant battle on your behalf!

Therefore do I salute the noble and benevolent brotherhood of tomcats. You are indeed a swashbuckling fraternity and may your days in the land be long and many! I cannot lead your kind of life; I only wish I could.

This essay is most affectionately inscribed to Chico, who is also a very great gentleman.



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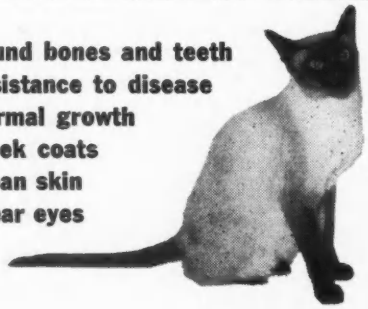

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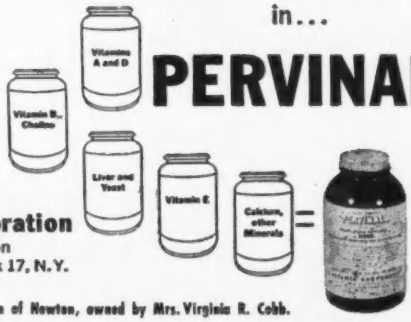

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SPARE THE ROD

by Dorothy Hubbard

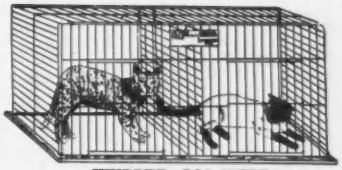
Do not punish a cat; it is cruel and seldom accomplishes any permanent good. Look into the eyes of a cat that is slapped for one thing and another and you will find a scared, wary look. The cat that is humored and understood never has this look.

If your kitten bites and scratches when you handle her, put her down at once and give her something to play with. She will soon understand that claws and teeth are for inanimate objects and not for humans. Do not let anyone tease your cat. It spoils her disposition and some day she may turn on the one she loves in pure exasperation.

It is natural for a cat to climb on high places such as tables and mantles, to take food that is carelessly left exposed, to catch mice and - birds. There is no known cure for the latter addiction. The number of birds that the well-cared for house-cat catches a season is relatively small and so she should not be censured since she has no way of knowing that humans prefer birds to mice. She is simply following her instincts to catch anything that is small and moves quickly.

It may help, when your cat brings a bird to you - as she usually will do, to take it from her and scold her. She will recognize the tone of your voice and is less apt to specialize in birds. When she brings a mouse, pet and praise her. At first she will not want to give up the mouse even though dead, but if you can trick her into dropping it, take it away and dispose of it. Soon she will bring them in and leave them for you to see and not get the habit of eating them which is likely to make her sick. If you are squeamish about picking up a dead mouse by its tail, sweep it up in a dustpan or place a box over it and let someone else do it.

If your cat gets on a table where you do not want her to be, say to her over and over, "no," and "get down." Then take her down. After many repetitions she will not jump on that particlar table or if she does she will get down at your firm command.



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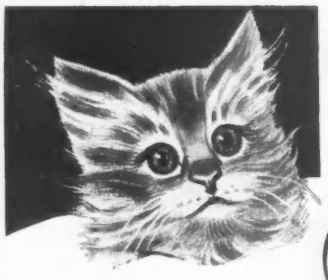

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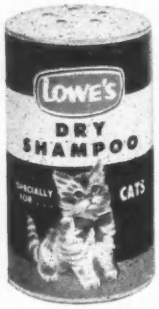

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Conducted by E. A. Renaux, D. V. M.

Just a year ago we got a blue part-Persian six months old kitten. In a few weeks we noticed he had round worms, consulted a veterinarian who gave us a worm pill to give him, with instructions to starve him 24 hours previous to dosage. This we did. The pill was so potent it almost killed the kitten! But in spite of this in a few months we noticed he still had the worms. So we consulted another vet. who gave us instructions to starve him for 36 hours previous to dosage and to give the capsules *exactly* 10 days apart. We complied with this explicity. Several months have gone by and he *apparently* was rid of the worms. But just this week he has started coughing sightly again and today I noticed he had expelled several worms in his sand box.

Can we ever permanently rid him of these worms? They apparently don't harm him as he is plump, fur is sleek and thick, and he is full of pep and energy (too much so sometimes!).

—Mrs. D. E. R., Wheat Ridge, Colo.

Some pets seem to have an affinity for parasites. I know of several instances where all cats but one would be free of worms, and periodic treatment to remove them was necessary. Many times a "stalemate" will be in effect—the cat cannot be freed of the worms, but the worms do not appear able to harm the cat. There is a method of giving a medication in small doses for three to five days without any fasting.

I have been trying to find some safe spray, to use for fleas in my cats' quarters, and some lady has recommended lindane. Is it safe? Are the preparations advertised in CATS Magazine safe? Especially where you have a number of pets together.

—Mrs. A. B. B., Corinth, Miss.

It would be well to avoid lindane or chlordane where there are cats. There are sprays containing pyrethrins that are safe to use on bedding, quarters, rugs. The information supplied by the manufacturers to the Magazine does indicate that the preparations are safe.

Our male cat began to lose control of his hind legs—although he is only a year and a half old. The veterinarian gave him a shot of penicillin and said that he must have fallen. After a day or two he stiffened out and started crying so we sent for the doctor and he said that the symptoms then showed a growth on the brain. Injections were started and powder in capsules was given to attempt to reduce the growth. Recovery was amazing, he stopped suffering, regained use of legs, but we decided he had gone blind. The doctor said that it might be from the strong medicine—to wash his eyes with boric acid and apply penicillin ointment to eyes and in time the sight might return. However, do you know of anything else we could do or use to help?

—P. C. M., Port Henry, N. Y.

The use of Vit. A, 25,000 units daily and Riboflavin, 5 mg. daily might help to improve or clear up the eye condition.

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MIDWEST CATS ANNOUNCED

Ohio with twenty-two All-Midwestern awards and fourteen Honorable Mentions takes the geographical honors in the 1954 All-Midwestern Selections announced in this issue of CATS Magazine. Other state totals are: Minnesota, nineteen All-Midwesterns and eight Honorable Mentions; Missouri, nine A-M's and nine H. M.'s; Michigan, six and nine; Wisconsin four and seven; Illinois, six and three; Indiana, three and three, and Iowa with four All-Midwesterns. The grand total is the record-breaking figure of seventy-three All-Midwesterns and fifty-three Honorable Mentions.

Highest-scoring of all the Midwestern cats is Lillian Magner's sensational Seal Point Female Grand Champion Ammon Ra's Taisho, and she will carry the banner of her section for Cat-of-the-Year or O.S. Cat-of-the-Year honors. Also in the O.S. Cat-of-the-Year running (if the 1954 CY is a female) is the Midwest's highest-scoring male and second highest cat, Marie Wilson's famed campaigner Double Grand and Triple Champion Lee's Hi-Hat Champaign, Cream Longhair. Other top cats in their A-M ranking positions are Ch. Twinkling Star of Evergreen, Tpl. Ch. Favors Maxim of Beverly Serrano, Gr. Ch. Dixiland Rebel of Les Cygnes, Vee Roi's Lovlai, Rosegate's Kingpin of Rosemont, Gr. Ch. Krampert's Ace of Marhan, Dbl. Ch. Khyber's Kalypso Joe of Longhill, and Blue Beetle Bear of Just A Mere.

The complete A-M listing starts on page fifteen and on pages thirteen through nineteen will be found photographs of many of these outstanding cats with names and addresses of their owners.

Former All-Midwestern and All-American wins are indicated in the award listing, but a few of these long-time winners deserve special notice. Gr. Ch. Silver Quest Fantasie, Kay Thoma's Shaded Silver, for example, has the most M-W wins of any cat to his credit, having also been All-Midwestern 1948, 1949, 1950, 1951 and 1953. Also of interest is the record of Ba Lo's Queen Desira who was A-M in 1947, the year the selections began, and A-M and A-A in 1948. "Champaign" was All-Midwestern and All-American both in 1952 and 1953, and Ch. Min Dear was All-Midwestern Shorthair Kitten in 1953.

All of the All-Midwestern cats will now compete against the award winners of the other three sections for the All-American designations for each breed, color, and sex which will be announced in the September All-American issue of CATS Magazine. Computation of wins is done strictly in accordance with the published, copyrighted, CATS magazine system by All-American Scorer Mrs. John Porter. The wins of Mrs. Porter's own cat, Gr. Ch. Kiva's Kri Kri of Concordia have not been considered in computing the All-Sectionals and All-Americans.

This year's seventy-three All-Midwesterns show a twenty-eight per cent increase over 1953's fifty-seven and eighty-seven per cent more than the thirty-nine awards made in 1952.

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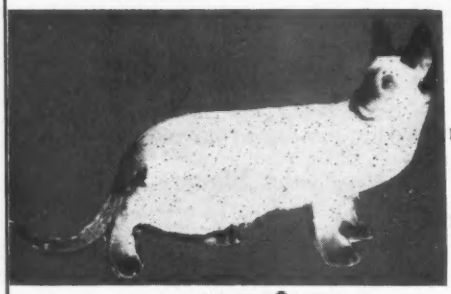

Wolfgang's
Liebchen
Dam
Cymri's
Ch. Frau
Wolfgang
Milw. Spec.—
Best Cat
Best Novice
BOC Seal
Point
1-W
Mpls. — Best
Short Hair
Best Foreign
Short Hair
BOC—1-W

WOLFGANG'S HERRCHEN KITTI

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LONGHAIR DIVISION

Blue Eyed White Male—Ch. Twinkling Star of Evergreen (A-M 1953), Mrs. Earl Fleming; Hon. Men.—Gr. Ch. Dixiland Rebel of Les Cygnes, Mrs. Paul Swan.

Blue Eyed White Female—Glen Moor's Dixie Belle, Mrs. Lillian Morris; Hon. Men.—Van Dyke's Miss Bob White (A-M 1953), Mrs. Lila Rippy.

Orange Eyed White Male—Ch. Oakwood's Glamour Boy, Mrs. Alfred Hoff; Hon. Men.—Ch. Lee's Hi-Hat Snow Captain (A-M 1952, 1953), Mrs. Winifred Smith.

Orange Eyed White Female—Ch. Shy's Castle Starette (A-M, A-A 1953), Mrs. Willard Shy; Hon. Men.—Dbl. Ch. Wyn's Winners Snow Drift, Mrs. Winifred Smith.

Odd Eyed White Female—Tulle of Pets Beautiful, Mrs. Helen Mackiewicz; Hon. Men.—Ch. Les Cygnes Princess Audie, Mrs. Paul Swan.

Blue Male—Dbl. Ch. Khyber's Kalypso Joe of Longhill, Mrs. Archie Stray; Hon. Men.—Blue Beetle Bear of Just a Mere, Mrs. Eva Werner.

Blue Female—Ch. Lavender Lyric of Bloemhill, Mrs. John Bloem; Hon. Men.—Chesterfield Blaise, Ethel Kingsland.

Black Male—Ch. Black Knight of Castleton (A-M 1953), Mrs. Robert Horn; Hon. Men.—Great Lakes Hansel, Mrs. Leo Barstis.

Black Female—Tpl. Ch. Ayme-Tu-Wynn's Beulah of Hobby Hill, Mrs. Marion Ripley; Hon. Men.—Evergreen's Sherry of Macca, Mrs. Vernice McCain.

Red Male—Ch. Siesta Husky, Mrs. T. C. Trent; Hon. Men.—(TIE) Shawnee's Copper Top, Mrs. Robert E. Musser, and Smallhurst's Timmy-Tu of Homewood, Mrs. J. J. Small.

Red Female—Stray's Ch. Ball O' Flame, Mrs. Archie Stray; Hon. Men.—Macca's Topeka, Mrs. Vernice McCain.

Peke Face Red Male—Macca's Theodore, Mrs. Vernice McCain.

Cream Male—Dbl. Gr. and Tpl. Ch. Lee's Hi-Hat Champaign (A-M, A-A 1952, 1953); Marie Wilson; Hon. Men.—Rosegate's King Pin of Rosemont, Mrs. Frances Kosierowski.

Cream Female—Lee's Hi-Hat Cheri of Rosemont (A-M 1950), Mrs. Frances Kosierowski; Hon. Men.—Suni June of Dawn, Mr. and Mrs. H. Millbeck.

Silver Male—Tpl. Ch. Favors Maxim of Beverly Serrano (A-M 1952), Mrs. Naomi Favors; Hon. Men.—Favors Twilight Sky, Mrs. Naomi Favors.

Silver Female—Ch. Ahmaq of Catnip Korner (A-M 1952), Mrs. J. J. Small; Hon. Men.—Lady Diane of Beverly Serrano (A-M 1953), Mrs. Harold Fess.

Shaded Silver Male—Gr. Ch. Silver Quest Fantasie (A-M 1948, 49, 50, 51, 53), Miss Kay Thoma; Hon. Men.—Aliquippa Gorgeous George, Mrs. Frank Osterlund.

Shaded Silver Female—Ch. Golden Crescent's Stardust (A-M 1953), Mrs. Evelyn Sills; Hon. Men.—Ch. Fernwood's Frosti Dream, Beatrice A. Stack.

Smoke Male—Beau-Jo of Bur Mur Farm, Mr. and Mrs. E. Burrell Finch; Hon. Men.—Gladhill's Little Ike, Mrs. Edward Dickmann.

Smoke Female—Florene's Beau Peep, Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Brooks; Hon. Men.—Macca's Smoke Gem, Mrs. Vernice McCain.

Silver Tabby Male—Dbl. Ch. Arlynn Sabre, Mrs. Arno Beck; Hon. Men.—Derring Do's Lickity Split, Gladys Epstein Zelinsky.

Silver Tabby Female—Mi-Choice of Doll-O-Mine (A-M, A-A 1953), Mrs. Maurice Shaw; Hon. Men. (TIE)—Princess Manda Bear of Mokiwa, Mrs. Jeanette R. DeLau, and Merry Pets Whispering Shadows, Mrs. F. F. Block.

Red Tabby Male—Tpl. Ch. Eastmoor Robyn Maroon (A-M, A-A 1952, 1953), Mrs. V. E. Patterson; Hon. Men.—Glenmoor's Coppertone, Mrs. Lillian Morris.

Red Tabby Female—Red Top's Ginger Bread Girl, Mrs. Lillian Morris; Hon. Men.—Kohinoor Rose La Rose of Spero, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Johnson.

Peke Face Red Tabby Male—Viking Fireworks of Tartan, Mrs. B. Walentiny.

Peke Face Red Tabby Female—Sweeter Attracta, Miss Alice Crawford.

Brown Tabby Male—Ch. Oakwood's Sir Ripley, Mrs. Alfred Hoff; Hon. Men.—Derring Do's Nimrod (A-M 1953), Mrs. Gladys Zelinsky.

Brown Tabby Female—Pan Peter's Molly of Will-Jene, Mrs. W. N. Hostetter; Hon. Men.—Dbl. Ch. Tabby Baby Fairy Van Dyke, Mrs. Archie Stray.

Tortoiseshell—Ch. Wycliffe Blessing-Ette, Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Ripley; Hon. Men. (TIE)—Spero's Tira, Miss Jeanne Mather, and Dbl. Ch. Chimes Prairie Witch of Noel (A-M 1953), Helen Van Damme.

Blue Cream—Siesta Carmalita, Mrs. T. C. Trent; Hon. Men.—Wycliffe's Marguerite, Miss Stella Harlos.

FOREIGN SHORTHAIR DIVISION

Seal Point Siamese Male—Ch. Samdur's Baron Van Wolfgang, Mrs. R. G. Wolfgang; Hon. Men.—Dbl. Ch. Dalai Jakki, Virginia Daly.

Seal Point Female—Gr. Ch. Ammon Ra's Taisho, Lillian Magner; Hon. Men.—Vee Roi's Lovlai, Mrs. R. H. Hecht.

Blue Point Male—Gr. Ch. Krampert's Ace of Marhan, Mars Hanson; Hon. Men.—Briargate's Buenos Dias, Mrs. Leone Rysted.

Blue Point Female—Briargate's Dezara of Samdur, Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Sample Hon. Men.—Ch. Marhan Min-Dear, (A-M-K 1953), Mars Hanson.

Chocolate Point Male—Vee Roi's Hershey (A-M 1953), Mrs. R. H. Hecht.

Chocolate Point Female—Vee Roi's Too Dai, Mrs. R. H. Hecht.

Abyssinian Male—Maliki of Harmonie Acre, Mrs. Waldo Schulz; Hon. Men.—Disston's Bengal Boy of Harmonie Acre (A-M 1952, 1953), Mrs. Waldo Schulz.

Abyssinian Female—Tpl. Ch. Selene's Sunbeam of Ammon Ra (A-M 1953), Lillian Magner; Hon. Men.—Malikah of Harmonie Acre, Mrs. Waldo Schulz.

Burmese Male—Lion's Adagio of Jadawh (A-M 1953), Dr. and Mrs. J. H. Cutler; Hon. Men.—Ch. Gerstdale's Sadruddin Khan, Mrs. Donald Warner.

Burmese Female—Su-Ryan Ma Hone Lin of Dalai, Virginia Daly; Hon. Men.—Regal Madura of Lan Yen.

Orange Eyed White Manx Female—Rosedere Dolly of Chesterfield (A-M, A-A 1953), Mrs. Ethel Kingsland.

Blue Manx Male—Lac A Taille Lion, Dr. and Mrs. Cutler.

Black Manx Male—Ba Lo's Kernish, Mrs. R. W. Boehlow.

Black Manx Female (TIE)—Maiden of Ba Lo, Mrs. R. W. Boehlow, and Ellen Vannin's Monah of Dwende, Mrs. Everett Schaus.

Silver Tabby Manx Male—Wil Jene Tige, Mrs. W. N. Hostetter.

Silver Tabby Manx Female—Lady Ginger (A-M 1953), Mrs. B. Fischer; Hon. Men.—Grey Lady of Gallus (A-M, A-A 1952), Mrs. Bob Jamison.

Parti-Color Manx Male—Tony Douglas (A-M, A-A 1953), Mrs. Bessie Fischer; Hon. Men. (TIE)—Buttons Tabby Boy, Mrs. Jessie Prowant, and Ba Lo's Prince Arn, Mrs. R. W. Boehlow.

Parti-Color Manx Female—Bobby-Sox, Mark Fischer.

Tortoiseshell Manx—Ch. Inneen of Glen Orry, Misses Ruth and Ellen Carlson.

Blue Cream Manx—Ba Lo's Queen Desira (A-M, A-A 1948, 1953; A-M 1947), Mrs. R. W. Boehlow.

DOMESTIC SHORTHAIR DIVISION

Blue Eyed White Female—White Pansee of Bur Mur Farm, Mrs. E. Burrell Finch.

Orange Eyed White Male—Ch. Silver Quest Vagabond King, Miss Kay Thoma; Hon. Men.—Buster Bussy, Gloria Fuys.

Orange Eyed White Female—Whitey (A-M 1953), Mr. and Mrs. H. Trend; Hon. Men.—Dbl. Ch. Teakwood Miss Frost, (A-M, A-A 1952), Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Koenig.

Odd Eyed White Female—Ch. Silver Quest Frost Queen, Miss Kay Thoma.

Blue Male—Imthemouser, James H. Wright; Hon. Men.—Mouser, Jr., James H. Wright.

Black Male—McKnight Tar Baby (A-M 1953), Mr. and Mrs. Perlie McKnight.

Black Female (TIE)—Ch. Carmen, Don Clapp; Panthere of Pixie, Geraldine Sopek; and Raven of McKnight, Mrs. Perlie McKnight.

Red Male—Sundust Captain Copper, Mrs. L. L. Lessard.

Red Tabby Male—Samdur's Eric, Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Sample.

Red Tabby Female—Samdur's Spice (A-M, A-A 1953), Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Sample.

Brown Tabby Male—Tpl. Ch. Sequin of Cool Morning, Mrs. Liz Kollmorgen; Hon. Men.—Dbl. Ch. Clapp's Teal, Mr.

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Best Kitten—Milwaukee, Judge Hobbs, S.H. Specialty, CFF
Best Siamese Kitten—Milwaukee, Judge Conroy, All Breed, CFF
Best Siamese Kitten—Milwaukee, Judge Mabie, All Breed, CFA
Best Kitten—St. Louis, Judge Rotter, All Breed, CFA
Best Kitten—Fort Wayne, Judge Graham, All Breed, CFA
Best Kitten—Des Moines, Judge Rotter, All Breed, CFA
Best Kitten—Des Moines, Judge Kosierowski, Specialty, CFA

Best Cat—Best S.H., Best F.S.H., Best Novice, Best Siamese, Dallas, S.H. Specialty, Judge Goforth, CFA
Best Cat—Best S.H., Best F.S.H., Best Siamese, San Antonio, S.H. Specialty, Judge Strange, CFA
1 Winners—Houston, Judge Keller, Short Hair Specialty, CFA
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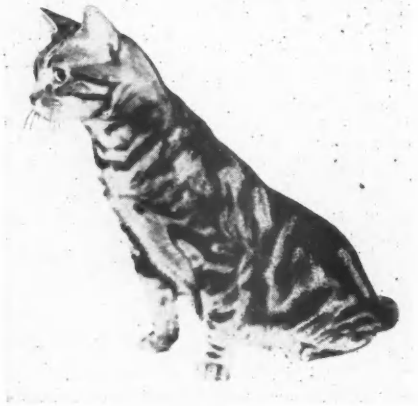

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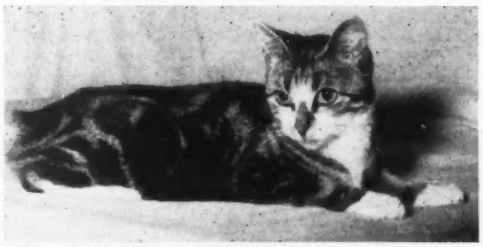

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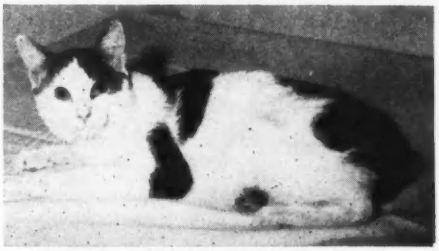

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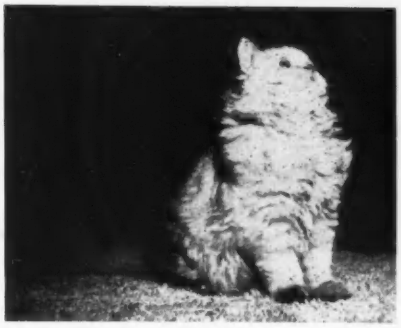

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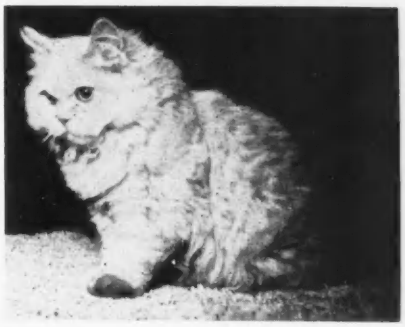
Champaign II (left)
Dam: Blue Gables
Blonde Blessing
Born: Sept. 10, 1953
Best Kitten both shows
Cleveland C.F.F.
(Shown once)

Blue Gables
Champaign III (right)
Dam: Lucky Lanes
Creme Debutante
Born: June 17, 1953
Best Kitten both shows
Akron A.C.A.
(Shown once)



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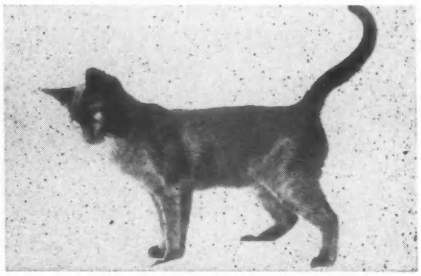

SU-RYAN MA HONE LIN OF DALAI
Burmese female (picture at 5 months)

Ch. Hassayampa Spi-dar Brown of Regal
X Su-Ryan Burma Mem-Sahib
(Born June 4, 1953—M-W award granted at eleven months)

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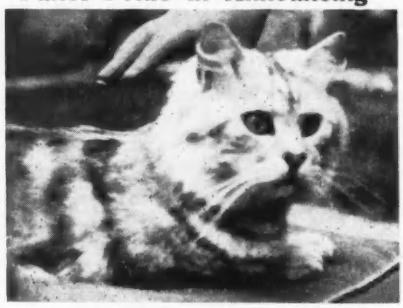

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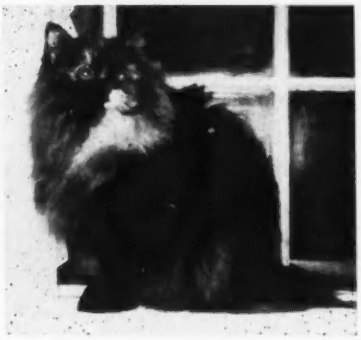

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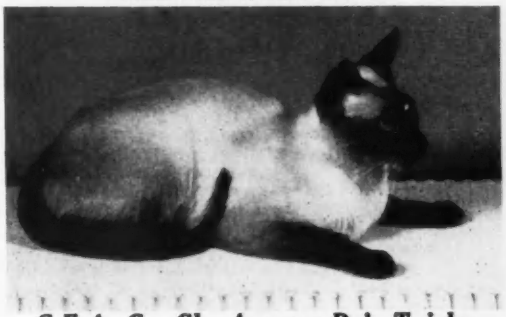

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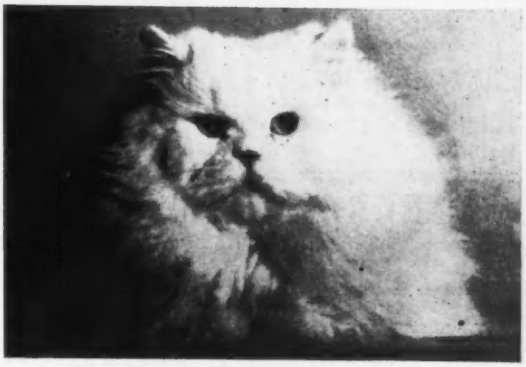

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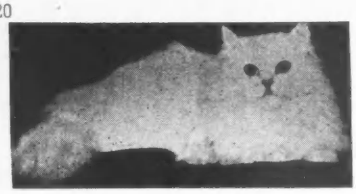

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Mews and Views from the West

I want to thank the many kind friends in the Cat Fancy who sent me sympathetic letters when I recently lost my husband, Samuel G. Miles, May 18th. He was returning from Las Vegas, Nevada, where he had been visiting, when he succumbed from a heart attack on the train. Your kind remembrances and thoughts of me at this time have been of great comfort. If the column lacks anything this time I am sure you readers will understand.

Grand Champion Duffy of Beverly Serrano has been found after more than a two years absence. He disappeared about two years ago in March. Mrs. Irene Laffoon was visiting at the home of Mrs. Sam Dowden at 207 No. New Hampshire, Los Angeles. There she saw a Silver and remarked "he looks like Duffy." Sure enough it was Duffy, and the then owner stated she had purchased him at Germain's, a general supply store at which puppies and kittens can be purchased for $25.00. He was brought into the store and represented as an altered two year old male, and the people who brought him said they were going to Europe and wanted to sell him to adults who would give him a good home. This was just before Christmas, 1952. Fortunately he did have a good home with Mrs. Dowden, and you can imagine the joy of Ione Hazlett (Beverly-Serrano Cattery) to have him back.

Mrs. Lois Padgett of Denver writes that Mile High Nocturne, Black male owned by Andy O'Mailia, and her Ch. Calamity Lil of Denver, Tortoiseshell announce the arrival of: one Red male, one Red Tabby male, and one Black female.

Sorry to hear from Helen Amos (Rollywood Cattery) that her beautiful chinchilla "Champion Rollywood Son o' Mike", lovingly called "Johnny" died of a kidney ailment. I can attest to his sweet, lovable disposition as I helped Helen Van Zele groom him at Napa, when she agented him for Mrs. Amos.

A very kind note from Cora Swan (Les Cygnes Cattery) stating she and her husband have bought a stock farm in Southern Missouri and will be moving there about June 18th. He will raise Herefords while she raises cats—and announces Gr. Champion Dixi-Land Rebel of Les Cygnes and Ch. Princess Audie, have three kittens, two Whites and a Blue, which look so very promising.

Robert Bird, show coordinator of Garden State Cat Club, Inc. (CFA) writes they will have a kitten show on August 14, 1954 in Ridewood, N. J. Dr. Evans Sawyer, will do the judging of the shorthairs, and Mr. Richard Gebhardt, president of the Club, who is starting a promising judging career, will do the longhairs. It is this club's intention to make this an annual affair. Kittens will be accepted from three to eight months. Mrs. Lillian King, 458 Prospect Street, Nutley, N. J. is entry clerk and entries close July 28th.

Mrs. John Pinkston writes that her Leilani's Desire, Blue Persian, presented her with three gorgeous kittens sired by Gr. Ch. Pied Piper of Barbe Bleue—a Blue girl, a Blue boy and a Black boy which she says is the spitin' image of his sire.

Mrs. Archie Stray of Milwaukee, Wisconsin writes that there is to be a BIG C. F. F. show in their city November 13-14, to be held in the Armory Hall, which is spacious, airy, with room for all.

On this same date the Colorado Cat Fanciers, Inc. (CFA) are planning a large show at the Shirley-Savoy Hotel, Denver; all breed judge to be Mrs. Frances Kosierowski, and Siamese specialty judge, Mrs. R. G. Wolfgang of Minneapolis. I missed their not having a show last year, as I have always enjoyed this club's shows, and the folks who work to make it a success.

One of the nicest teenagers in the Cat Fancy, Albert Thatcher, Cal-Sun Cattery, is looking forward to some show winners next season, as he has three S. P. females sired by Byne's WuLing of Su Chi Imp x Palos Verdes Princess Ti. Albert is always willing to help in the shows, takes his losses or wins, as I wish some of the adult and older breeders could ;and be assured this lad *knows* his Siamese too. Good luck next show season Albert.

Mrs. George Day sent me a clipping from the *Las Vegas (Nevada) Sun* dated February 24, 1954 and there was a full *one page* lay out, pictures, and stories about the *Rae-O-Lee Cattery*, owned by Mr. and Mrs. Leon Garland of Nelson, Nevada. The article relates their first acquisition was Su Doi, S. P. male, son of Su Chi, a Trp. Ch. S. P. female. At Rae-O-Lee cattery is also Wu Ling, referred to above. I notice from the pictures this cattery also owns a half-breed Persian, called *Tom*, who appears to be quite at home with his Siamese pals.

Congratulations to the All-Sectional winners, and thanks to CATS for making these honors available to the breeders, and for the work Mrs. John M. Porter did in scoring the winners.

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Longhair Male—Bloemhill Aladdin, Cream, Mrs. John Bloem; Hon. Men.—Gale Knoll Mischan, Blue, Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Perdue.

Longhair Female—Noel's Easter Parade, Tortoiseshell, Helen Van Damme; Hon. Men. (TIE)—Wyn's Winners Snow Bunny, Orange Eyed White, Mrs. Winifred Smith, and Nestledown's Estrellita, Cream, Mrs. Walter Meyer.

Shorthair Male—Bim Beau's Blue Mischief, Blue Point Siamese, Sally Lindberg; Hon. Men.—Ammon Ra's Starlite, Blue Point Siamese, Lillian Magner.

Shorthair Female—Dbl. Ch. Wee-Sal of Medicine Lake, Seal Point Siamese, Mrs. Adolph Olson; Hon. Men.—Marhan Memories (now registered as Marhan Mme. Modiste), Blue Point Siamese, Mars Hanson.

Show Reports

MO-KAN CAT CLUB, INC. Fourth CFA Championship Show at Kansas City, Mo., January 30-31, 1954. Mo-Kan is very happy to report another successful show. Mr. Anthony DeSantis judged the All Breed show and Miss Kay Thoma substituted for Mrs. John Hunter, who because of serious illness in her immediate family could not be with us to judge the Short Hair and Solid Color Specialties. Championship and Gr. Championship points were as follows: All Breed: Four champion and four Gr. champion points. The Mid-West Short Hair Specialty: Four champion and three Gr. Champion points. The Central States Solid Color Club Specialty: Four champion and four Gr. Champion points. ALL BREED: Best Cat, Best Champion, Best L.H.—Ch. Shy's Castle Starrette, f., Mrs. Willard Shy. 2nd Best Cat, Best Opp. Ch. Best Opp. L.H.—Ch. Dixi-Land Rebel of Les Cygnes, m., Mrs. Paul Swan. Best Novice—Briargate Dezara of Samdur, f., Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Sample. Best Opp. Sex Novice—Snow Man Chu II, m., Dennis Straub Stack. Best Kitten—Lynwood Chu Chu, m., Mrs. F. L. Lindsey. Best Opp. Sex Kitten—Marhan Memories, f., Mars Hanson. Best Neuter—Blu Acre Nudger, Terry Jackson. Best Foreign S.H.—Briargate Dezara of Samdur, f., Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Sample. Best Opp. Sex Foreign S.H.—Gr. Ch. Krampert's Ace, m., Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Krampert. Best Domestic S.H.—White Pansy of Bur Fur Farm, f., Mr. and Mrs. Burrel Finch. Best S.H.—Briargate Dezara of Samdur, m., Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Sample. Best S.H. Opp. Sex—Gr. Ch. Krampert's Ace, m., Mr. and Mrs. E. W.

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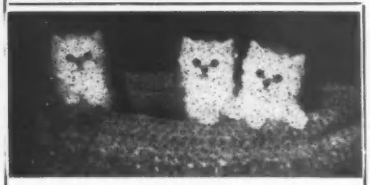

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August 27 and 28 are the dates announced for the **Canadian National Exhibition Cat Show** at Toronto. An All Breed Show and a Long Hair and Short Hair Specialty are planned. For full details write Mr. Hiram E. McCallum, Canadian National Exhibition, Toronto.

The **Pacific Cat Fanciers (CFF)** advise that judges have not yet been selected for their October 23-24 Los Angeles Show. Announcement will be made in the near future.

Marin County C. C. to Have Kitten Show, Judging Bee, October Ch. Show — Officers Named

The Marin County Cat Club is having its third annual Kitten Show on July 3 and 4 at the Marin Art and Garden Fair with Mrs. Ruth Fisher as Judge. Japanese influence will be the decorative keynote this year with the stage and background arranged as a Japanese Tea Garden. The show is part of an annual fair held at Ross, California, all of which is well worth attending.

The Club is also planning its second Annual Judging Contest and Barbecue for August 22. Rosettes will be given for: Best Judge in Show, Best Judge Open Class, Best Judge Novice Class, and Champion and Reserve to Best Judge in each class. In addition to the judging training involved, all entries and spectators reported a grand time last year.

On October 30 and 31 at Petaluma, California, the Fourth Annual **Marin County Championship Cat Show** will be held under ACA rules. All Breed judge is Mrs. Edith Schulte; Long Hair Specialty Judge, Mrs. Rosamund Flynn, and Short Hair Specialty Judge, Mr. Howard Casassa.

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Great Lakes Short Hair Club Awards Announced

The Great Lakes Short Hair Club (CFA) announces the winners and placings of their Sire and/or Dam of Merit award. These outstanding sires and dams were scored by the number of points earned for them by their offspring during the 1953-54 show season.

Seal Point Siamese Sires—First, Ch. Shawnee's Image O'Monkey, owner Miss Lillian Magner. Second, Ch. Chirn Sa-Hai Ho-Tai, owner Mrs. Gladise German. Third, Ch. Newton's Tikena, owner Mrs. LaVerne Chapman. Fourth, Ch. Kwon Tiki of Siama, owner Mrs. H. J. Wallman.

Seal Point Siamese Dams—First, Ch. Ammon Ra's Little Fawn Da, owner Miss Lillian Magner. Second, Chirn Sa-Hai Taki, owner Mrs. Gladise German. Third, Lin Yange of Lei Cei, owner Mrs. H. J. Wallman. Fourth, Normont Melina of Vanar, owner Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Van Riper.

Blue Point Siamese Sires—Ch. Coventry's Bambey-Ling of Vanar, owner Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Van Riper. Second, Tsinghai Blue Chips of Rockdene, owner Mrs. Esther D. Pruett.

Blue Point Siamese Dams—First, Dbl. Ch. Vanar's Ptola, owner Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Van Riper. Second, Tsinghai Muff-in-Toi, owner Mrs. Esther D. Pruett. Third, Sylvan Blue Venus of Vanar, owner Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Van Riper.

Abyssinian Sires—First, Ch. Raby Chuffa of Selene, Imp. owner Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Schuler. Second, Caper Cat Sunglow of Ammon Ra, owner Miss Lillian Magner.

Abyssinian Dams — First, Ch. Caper Cat Trinket of Selene, owner Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Schuler. Second, Selene's Sunbeam of Ammon Ra, owner Miss Lillian Magner.

Central Maine C.C. Skowhegan Show

More than four hundred cat lovers from all over the State of Maine helped make the Second Central Maine Cat Show a great success. Quite contrary to usual Cat Shows, the top wards here were for ordinary cats, the Maine State Champion Shorthair award going

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to Chum, a yellow cat entered by Mrs. Freedland Savage, Kingfield, Maine, while Maine State Champion Coon Cat was Major Sno Sheen a, pure white Longhair entered by Mrs. Robert Whittmore, Augusta. Such exotic breeds as Purebred Manx, Persians, Siamese, Burmese and Abyssinians were present, but their principal roles were as spectators and interesting diversions for the shorthair-and-coon-cat-conscious public. A "Kitten Corral," Best Decorated Cage Awards, and a photographic contest were also of great interest.

Silver Cat Club of the West

The Silver Cat Club of the West held a meeting on May 16, at the home of the vice-president, Mrs. Miriam Williams, 249 Sadowa St., San Francisco with a number of members present and the president, Mrs. Mildred Joseph in the chair. Routine business was transacted, followed by reports of CFA Annual Meeting, including that of Miss Hydon, who had been our delegate at that meeting. It was noted that the status, charters and privileges of our longhair specialty clubs remain unchanged. Discussion was held on the study and training such clubs afford to new judges on CFA Approval Pending List; with suggestions relative to improvement in qualifications required. Also suggested was strict supervision of stewards and clerks who should be loyal members of CFA and understand thoroughly the rules of our own association. On motion the club voted to send a rosette to the Colorado Cat Fanciers for their November show. Rosettes and arrangements for other shows are to be decided by vote at future meetings. Our next meeting will be held July 11th at the home of Mrs. Joseph in Castro Valley. Sandwiches, cake and coffee provided by our hostess and the president were enjoyed by members and guests and so ended a very pleasant meeting. —A.G.P.

MO KAN REPORT **(From page 21)**

Krampert. Best Siamese Champion—Ch. Chirn Sa-Hai Nee-Ang, f., Mrs. Richard O'Donovan. Best Domestic Champion—Ch. Samdur's Spice, Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Sample. Best Manx—Ch. Rosedere Dolly of Chesterfield, f., Mrs. Ethel Kingsland. Best Manx Opp. Sex—Tyoh Tee Too, m., Mrs. Fred Hoyt. Best Aby Champion—Ch. Chirn Sa-Hai Ricki, Mrs. Richard O'Donovan. Best Tabby and Torti—Ch. Shawnee Masquerade, Nikki Horner. Best Silver—Shy's Castle Lord Johnny, m., Mrs. Willard Shy. Best Silver Opp. Sex—Ch. Robelaines Recherche, f., Marcena Meyers. SHORT HAIR SPECIALTY: Best Cat, Best Champion, Best Foreign S.H., Best S.H., Best Siamese Champion—Ch. Chirn Sa-Hai Nee-Ang, f., Mrs. Richard O'Donovan. Best Cat Opp. Sex—Samdur's Baron Von Wolfgang, m., Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Wolfgang. Best Opp. Sex Champion—Ch. Blu Kew of Wolfgang, m., Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Wolfgang. Best Novice—Briargate Dezara of Samdur, f., Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Sample. Best Novice Opp. Sex—Briargate's Rackus, m., Mrs. C. F. Rotter. Best Kitten—Kitti Chaiya, m., Mrs. Wesley Novak. Best Kitten Opp. Sex—Marhan Minka of My-Lo, f., Mr. Frank Lockery Sr. Best Neuter—Boduhi's Elmer of Bur Mur Farm, Sandra Shields. Best Domestic S.H., Best Domestic Champion—Ch. Samdur's Spice, Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Sample. Best Manx—Tyoh Tabu, f., Mrs. Fred Hoyt. Best Opp. Sex Manx—Tyoh Tee Too, Mrs. Fred Hoyt. Best Manx Ch.—Ch. Rosedere Dolly of Chesterfield, f., Mrs. Ethel Kingsland. Best Aby —Maliki of Harmonie Acre, m., Mrs. Waldo Schultz. Best Aby. Opp. Sex—Mao Qui Vive of Chirn Sa-Hai, f., Mrs. Richard O'Donovan. Best Aby. Champion—Ch. Chirn Sa-Hai Ricki, m., Mrs. Richard O'Donovan. SOLID COLOR SPECIALTY: Best Cat, Best Gr. Champion—Gr. Ch. Kiva's Kri Kri of Concordia, f., Mrs. John Porter. Best Opp. Sex Cat, Best Champion—Ch. Shy's Castle Buzz, m., Mrs. Willard Shy. Best Champion Opp. Sex—Ch. Shy's Castle Buzz, m., Mrs. Willard Shy. Best Champion Opp. Sex—Ch. Shy's Castle Starrette, f., Mrs. Willard Shy. Best Novice—Bloem Hill Lilliput, f., Mrs. John Bloehm. Best Opp. Sex Novice—Snow Man Chu II, Dennis Straub Stack. Best Kitten—Siesta Cynthia, f., Mrs. T. C. Trent. Best Neuter—Blu Acre Blue Boy, Mrs. Earl Wickham.

In memory of Samuel G. Miles, an ardent cat lover and a fine gentleman. He will be missed greatly by all who knew him.

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ALONE IN ALASKA

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gone several days longer than contemplated. We had cut up an abundant supply of meat and tallow to leave for her in the sturdy shed where one small hole served allowing only a small animal admittance. I had to return to the city on business and Bud returned to the cabin alone after one particularly difficult rtip when deep snows completely covered the trail, making it almost impossible to travel and for the dogs to pull the heavy sled even with Bud's help so he had trail to break the entire forty miles. Instead of five days he had been gone two weeks and what a glorious welcome he received from kitty who sat impatiently waiting on the porch for him to unharness the team and lead them to their houses before she could rub against his legs and purr her welcome home. She dogged his every footstep even sleeping at the foot of his bed at night and many a trip she took, secure in her box on the dog sled, when Bud made the rounds checking his traps. Many tracks in the snow around the cabin told a story of a wolverine's recent watchful waiting for a meal but with the timely return of man and dogs it disappeared.

Keno and Charm, with dignified courtesy and respect for each other, now often shared the same feed dish and one day to Bud's surprise and amusement he found the two of them curled up together asleep right in the middle of our bed. The dog had never before taken such liberty and when scolded, looked at the cat as though to ask "how come she is allowed this privilege?" These two were Bud's only companions on those long lonely winter evenings in the cabin sometimes weeks in succession.

When spring came there was a moving trip via dog team, thirty four miles to a cabin near the highway and every trip Charm made now without the need of her protective wooden box. She sits alongside the sled while it is being loaded then jumps aboard and curls up in the hollow space left in the tarp covering purposely for her. The other dogs all accept her presence now in every way except sharing their food with her and as far as I know she has never been so presumptuous as to try that. She has grown to be a very large cat and her fur is long and glossy and richly thick from her diet of corn meal and tallow, same as the sled dogs.

The moving task completed and trapping season ended, Bud loaded his furs and the dogs into the jeep and headed for town. In the excitement of getting ready for the long trip and coming to town after me, he was many miles on his way before he remembered he didn't have kitty along. She was seldom very far away from him but this one morning she must have gone hunting in the woods and he was deeply apologetic when explaining how it happened but there was an abundant supply of mice around the cabin so she would easily manage until our return.

Two weeks later when we arrived at the cabin a friend was sitting there and had seen our cat the day he arrived. She came stretching and yawning from her box of feathers which sat on a high shelf of the porch above the kitchen door. She hissed a warning at his pup, drank the milk he set out for her, followed him around awhile, and then she was gone. He had been there a few days but had not seen her again. I walked far out into the woods in many directions calling as I went but to no avail. A few days later we discovered unmistakable cat tracks many miles from the cabin on the old road heading in the direction of the last cabin. In shaded areas where the sun had not yet blurred them, we found more distinct paw prints in the snow unquestionably made by Charm and all leading in the same direction. I feel certain she was going back to see if we had moved to that cabin without her. Many days had elapsed since the tracks were made and there still remained huge snowdrifts in canyons sheltered from the sun's melting rays and a washed out bridge making it impossible to drive and too much bare gravel on the road for the dog sled, also it was unlikely she was able to peregrinate those thirty-four miles unharmed, what with foxes, wolverine, and an occasional wolf always on the prowl. We had to report for work the next morning on a summer job so it was another two weeks before we managed a day off and visited the cabin. What a pleasant surprise awaited us. There sat Charm on the porch looking as unconcerned and independent as though we had left only that morning. We were the ones to display our surprise and happiness. She had an air of patient waiting seeming to say "I knew you would come for me eventually." If ever I wished an animal could talk it was then as I stroked her luxurious black coat while she nestled in my arms contentedly purring. What experiences and loneliness she must have endured on that long determined journey and what did she think when reaching that cabin to find no trace of us there? Do animals feel the same intensity of loneliness and disappointment that people do? She must have been back here awhile as she was rested and fat and showed no visible effects of the recent long trip, seemingly accustomed to being alone.

At our summer residence, a huge black tom cat found her unfriendly attitude and hissing, spitting reception to his gestures of friendship onlly fallacy and before the summer was gone, Charm proudly let us know she was to become a mother. Later a litter of six black kittens romped across our bed at night, raced underfoot, swung on the curtains, and displayed their talents at finding anything put away from their sharp, destructive little claws. Through it all she was a patient contented mother ruling her brood like a queen, and teaching them many things. She was lightning-quick ebony fury if a dog threatened danger to one of her babies. Once, while protecting one of her too-venturesome little off-spring, a neighbor's malemute ambushed her and only the quick surprise of a shouted command co-inciding with a resounding smack made the dog release her unharmed. Three times that fall by a breathtaking margin did she escape the violent headlong rush of a friend's or neighbor's malemute after it had waited long and patiently, the opportune moment to take the wary cat by surprise.

Every visit of friend or chance acquaintance who expressed a desire to own a kitten found us very happy to oblige and soon the supply dwindled to one little tommy kitten who shared his mother's box on the return to the winter trapline cabin. Unlike his mother though, and as so often happens to cats who are reared in the vicinity of the malemutes, or Alaska Huskies, his life was not as long and eventful.

Charm was content to nap again unmolested by the playful antics of her late charges and felt her duty to them fulfilled since they were nearly grown cats before leaving her for other homes.

Another year passed harmoniously and the sybaritic fastidious lady slept away contented hours at the foot of our bed accepting her daily quota of milk or roaming far and wide hunting the woods or riding along on the dog sled whenever and wherever we went.

Another Christmas was drawing close and we wanted to visit our friends and families in the States so took our dogs and Charm to a friend's house who was to care for them until our return. Little did we realize she would not wait for us there and within a few days after our departure for the States, she returned those many miles to her own home arriving there as the coldest spell of the winter set in and temperatures dropped to fifty degrees below zero and held there too long for her to hunt food. On our return home in the early spring we found her curled up in her feather box over the kitchen door where she had gone to sleep trustfully awaiting our return and the icy Northland winter claimed another victim but never, never will she be forgotten by either one of us.

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and become more bewildered than she already is, especially if she is a mother for the first time. When a cat has had several litters and becomes very adept at doing what is required she will not need much help. But if she should need an encouraging word, you are there.

The hope of this column is to help all to get the greatest amount of joy out of cat breeding. Later an article on raising kittens will appear, but in the next issue of CATS you will find an article entitled "Should I Go to a Show" under the heading "Tips to the Novice from a Novice."

Quotes from the Shows

by Billie Bancroft

Washington, D. C., Show
Continued from last month

The Judges have done a marvelous job—the Show is good.
—Mrs. John Donahoe, 911 Mapel Ave., Rockville, Maryland

I believe this Washington Show is representing every **Domesticated Cat known,** it is full of gorgeous cat-beauties as well as interesting people. And—the happenings that do happen!!!! Our party of three have enjoyed every minute of the Show, we have exchanged ideas and spent a lot of time listening to well informed people.
—Mrs. Roselle Dancette, 11 61st Street, Washington, D. C.

I have always liked cats and to me this has been a most spectacular event to see all the different breeds of cats together under one roof. I hope the Cat Shows will continue forever—just so I can come to them. You who do not know—can never imagine there are so many different kinds of cats until you go to a show and see them.
—Barbara Porter, 4219 Oglethorpe Street, Hyattsville, Maryland

Billie Bancroft comments—This was a big, big Show two hundred and fifty eight cats—and very few absentees. What a lot of Shorthairs—truly a record of some kind. One outstanding thing impressed everyone—so many men attending and doing their share of work too. Each year more men seem to take the Cat Shows seriously—the time is coming when we will give our Dog Shows a run for their money. A great many people did not realize a Show was in town until the last day. Again—publicity raises an issue. The Show-room was a bit difficult to reach—you had to carry your cats quite a distance. A great many new people attended—people who expressed wishes to become breeders. Facts of The Fancy were given them freely—and the results will show in the next season of Shows.

LAKE ERIE CAT CLUB—(Cleveland, Ohio)
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Mrs. Andrews' judging has again hit the high lights. Good luck to you Norah—good luck to an exceedingly fair judge. To Mr. Cable we wish the very best—We need MORE JUDGES like the above mentioned. The gate is good—and this alone makes one think that cats are coming into their own, all the people were very sociaable. I was so happy to see Mrs. Lillian Limpert and her husband. All the Cat Club members are making these Shows a huge success.
—Marion L. Galmbacher, 266 Lamarek Drive, Snyder, New York

This is a nice Show—the people are lovely I liked Mrs. Andrew's judging—she explains things to us looker-on breeders.
—Marcena Meyers, Aliquippa, Penna.

The CFF Show in Cleveland is one of the nicest Shows I have attended in 1953-54, the judging arrangements were the best I have seen in a long time, the members were all so gracious and friendly.
—Mrs. Betty Groeil, Lackawanna, New York. (Judge)

This is a GOOD Show, terrific competition in the Short Hairs—and all are good.
—Mrs. Laverne Chapman, Birmingham, Mich.

We think it is the best Show we have ever attended—the judging was fair and lots of thought given to each decision—need I add that we are very happy that our cat won a Blue ribbon—the people connected with the Show worked very hard and things have run smoothly.
—Mr. and Mrs. James Pargoe

—We think this Show has been excellently conducted; the Club members showing to us, the greatest amount of friendliness and cooperation. The conduct of the Show was in the best traditional taste and the location in the Municipal Auditorium left little to be desired. One item which we would have liked personally and which was lacking, was a conveniently located Coffee Shop or Counter. However, all in all, as stated before, the Show was excellent and it appeared to me that the 'Gate' was good, being helped we believe by the planning for the Show during the same period as the Dog Show and Grotto Circus which were all held in the same building. Our thanks to the Lake Erie Cat Club for a swell time.
—Spurgeon J. Dammling, Msgt. U.S.A.F. and Mrs. Mary Dammling

Billie Bancroft comments—I asked one person—and one person only to collect these "Quotes" for me—as it was a time when I was so tied up with other commitments too numerous to mention. Next year—I'll be at the Cleveland Lake Erie Show—make no mistake about that. I regret that I had so little publicity for this Show—I have some verbal reports that it was EXCELLENT.

Minneapolis Persian Club and Land O'Lakes Club Twin One Day shows at Minneapolis, March 6 and March 7.

The innovation of a double association twin show is of special interest to the majority of exhibitors who are otherwise limited to showing their cats in only their own nearby areas. This show was one of the most friendly we have ever attended and the committee and members of both clubs are to be complimented.
—Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wolfgang, Minneapolis

One of the best in many years. The exhibitors were satisfied with the Judges' decisions and even the losers seemed satisfied!
Glenn Finn, Minneapolis

Mr. Zieses, Mrs. Adair, and Mrs. Hamaker were very efficient and fair in their decisions. We should have more shows of this type.
—Mrs. Archie Stray, Milwaukee, Wisc.

It would have been easier to mark one's catalog if the absentees had been announced and if the numbers of winners had been announced, but I particularly enjoyed the show because it was fast moving. It was wonderful to be able to enter two different shows simultaneously.
—Marie Stodden, Dubuque, Iowa

This two show deal is a wonderful example of cooperation. The two associations have worked splendidly together and the result is advantageous to both the exhibitor and the club. It is an idea which should prove very popular.
—Helen Van Zele, Lemon Grove, Calif.

My compliments to all who made this ACA-CFF combination such a great success. The judges worked very quickly and in my opinion were very just.
—Mrs. Arno Beck, Chicago, Ill.

I certainly hope it's done again. Two shows like this really furnish an incentive for breeders all over the country to attend, and I notice that it also proved very popular with the local Minneapolis public.
—Mrs. H. D. Perdue, Gashand, Mo.

A wonderful show. It was so nice to see the two associations working together. Everything was very well managed.
—Joan Arnold, Lemon Grove, Calif.

It was a pleasure to meet here at my home show an exhibitor whom I'd first met at a Texas show this winter. I thought the judges did a fine job.
—Mrs. Adolph Olson, Minneapolis

What a fine airy showroom! The show officials showed fine cooperation.
—Marguerite Faber, Chicago, Ill.

Editors Note: This concludes our "Quotes" for the past show season. "Quotes from the Shows" is conducted exclusively by Mrs. Bancroft. Clearance for an authorized representative to collect the quotes should be secured from her before shows are held and all quotes should be submitted through her.

Next Month—Fanciers Forum returns with a discussion of One-Day Shows.

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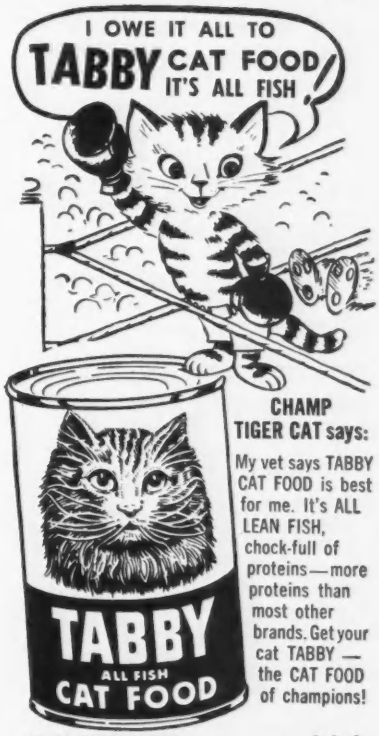

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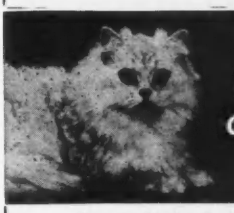

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The Back Fence bows this month to the Richard Attridge editorial which appeared in the March 27, 1954, Saturday Evening Post. The publication of such an article in a major American magazine offers encouragement and hope for all serious cat lovers.

A cat may look at a queen—or a king, or you or me—and probably won't think too much of any of us. A properly humble human observer once summed it up, "A cat is a sovereign state with a tail." Apart from the incidental point that some of the most regal cats don't have tails, this epigram expresses pretty accurately the attitude of America's twenty million or so cats toward us people who think we are running the country. The fact seems to be that while a dog is usually willing to accept human beings as equals, any cat—from the disdainfully fluffed-up Persian to the mauled-up ruler of the alley jungles—is absolutely certain that people are inferior animals.

A lot of human beings have also subscribed to this cat's-eye view, and through the ages some of the most highly intelligent and civilized nations have deified and worshipped cats, undoubtedly to the satisfaction of all concerned. There are, indeed, a good many reasons why cats should assume a natural superiority. This can readily be established by asking any honest man or woman who "owns" one.

The cat probably comes as close as any living thing in our man-made world to being the physically perfect creature. Its swift slink, slow-motion stalk, incredibly competent and graceful springs, and its pound-for-pound strength, fighting power and physical co-ordination in general make the greatest human athlete who ever lived seem like a lumbering blunderer. It's true enough, too, on the esthetic side, that the cat, whose skeleton is not unlike our own, has a beauty of line, movement and utility against which even the Apollos and Aphodites of the Greeks appear awkward and stilted misfits. Mentally and psychologically, of course, the cat is the least self-conscious, best adjusted and most self-sufficient collection of reflexes that can be put together.

There aren't many feline "neurotics," and cats generally take the rational view that most human beings — when not serving the safe-and-sane purpose of providing fish, cream and catnip—should be locked up in strange attics.

James and Macarthur (Longmans, Green), those delightful cats chronicled by Jenny Laird and illustrated to a cat's taste by Peggy Bacon, describe the people who own the place as "the servants." Emotionally, the cat is a calculating machine, motivated by the higher kind of intelligent self-interest — unerringly aware of what it wants and how to get it.

Blessed with a fabulous sense of self-preservation and survival, the cat generally adopts a live-and-let-live attitude toward its world. People who are not capable of understanding cats keep pointing out that they kill birds. But cats observe the natural process, and seldom kill more than they can eat. The average back-yard bird-hunting cat, for example, would look with a superior contempt on the two titled British "sportsmen" who, all by themselves on a single day not so many years ago, slaughtered a "record bag of 3247 pheasants and partridges."

All the way from Cleopatra's household companions to Mehitabel and the kitten on any windowsill, the cat is a philosopher: serene in adversity and unimpressed by victory, a contemplative creature whose purr drowns out the alarms and excursions of our noisy human world. And a cat is capable in its own way of affection for human beings and will give to people who are capable of appreciating it a slightly superior companionship.

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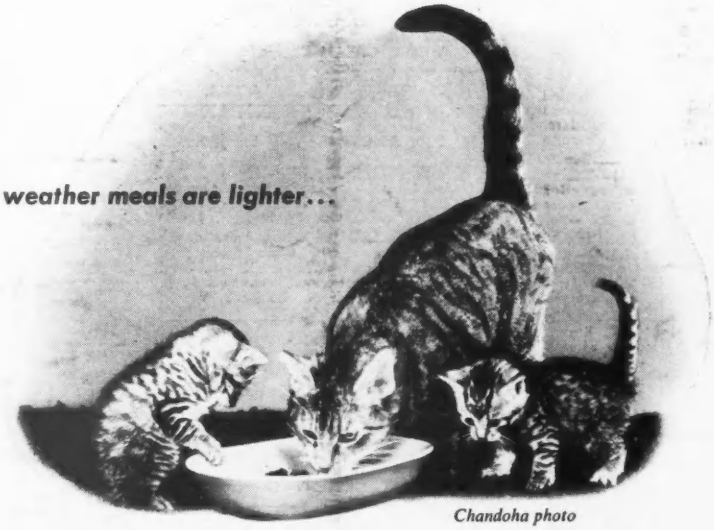

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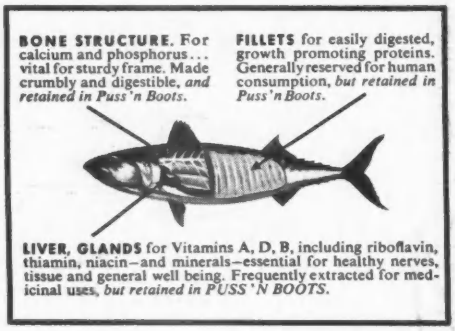

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